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MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): NAGURA, Kazuhito and SONE, Motoki

For: OPTICAL TRANSMISSION APPARATUS AND ELECTRONIC
EQUIPMENT PROVIDED WITH SAME

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of seventeen (17) pages
- ☒ Four (4) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☐ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-261696 and 2003-192064 filed in Japan on September 6, 2002 and July 4, 2003.
- ☒ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
- ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- ☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) (2) (B) (i)

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- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.

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